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MONTANA UNIVERSITY
Pre-Season 1957 FOOTBALL PROSPECTUS

The 1957 Football Staff:

Head Coach	Jerry Williams
Assistant.	Robert Zimny
Assistant.	Laurie Niemi
Assistant.	Hal Sherbeck

1957 SCHEDULE

Sept. 21	*University of Utah	Salt Lake City (N)
Sept. 28	*University of Wyoming	Billings, Mont.
Oct. 4	*Brigham Young University	Provo (N)
Oct. 12	*Denver University (Homecoming)	Missoula
Oct. 19	*Utah State College	Logan
Oct. 26	*University of New Mexico	Missoula
Nov. 2	University of Idaho	Moscow
Nov. 9	Montana State College	Bozeman
Nov. 16	*Colorado State University	Missoula

*Skyline Conference Game

1956 RESULTS

Montana

Opponents

12	University of Arizona	27
6	University of Utah	26
13	Denver University	22
13	Utah State College	27
21	Brigham Young University	14
20	Colorado State University	34
14	Montana State College	33
13	University of Wyoming	34
13	University of New Mexico	14
0	University of Idaho	14

Conference Games
 Won 1 Lost 6

All Games
 Won 1 Lost 9

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 MONTANA UNIVERSITY -- MISSOULA, MONTANA

Returning Lettermen - 18

Karl Benjamin	Tackle
Montana Bockman	Guard
Roy Bray	Quarterback
Jerry Connors	Halfback
John Dixon	End
Bob Everson	Wingback
Matt Gorsich	Fullback
Bill Hand	Guard
Terry Hurley	End
Gary Kennedy	Tackle
Chuck McKelvie	Quarterback
Charles Moore	Center
Mick O'Brien	Center
Lou Pangle	End
Stan Renning	Guard
Pete Rhinehart	End
Ervin Rosera	Fullback
Don Williamson	Fullback

Lettermen Not Returning - 12

Bob Butorovich	Tackle
Duane Carver	Guard
Dick Dzivi	Center
Paul Enochson	Quarterback
Will Hart	End
Severn Hayes	Fullback
Ivory Jones	Tackle
Bill Kaiserman	Halfback
Bob McGihon	Tackle
Pat Monno	Halfback
Bob Small	Guard
Vern Tennant	Fullback

Outstanding Newcomers

Phil Griffin	Quarterback
Bill Harden	Center
Earl Keeley	Quarterback
Dick Leenhouts	Tackle
Larry Myers	End
Joe Pepe	Halfback
Jerry Young	Fullback

MONTANA UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL ROSTER

-- 1957 --

<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Exp.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Antonucci, Tony	C	Fr.	5-11	199	20	Soph.	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Benjamin, Karl	LT	1V	6-3	235	24	Senior	Seattle, Wash.
Bilan, Ed	LG	Fr.	5-10	210	20	Soph.	Calgary, Can.
Blachley, Howard	LT	Fr.	6-3	200	20	Soph.	Kalispell
Bockman, Montana	RG	1V	5-10	190	20	Junior	Missoula
Bray, Roy	QB	2V	5-10	180	21	Senior	Missoula
Brown, Ron	LG	Tr.	5-11	215	20	Junior	Sun Valley, Ida..
Buzzetti, Tony	LG	Fr.	6-0	190	18	Soph.	Missoula
Connors, Jerry	RHB	1V	5-8	150	20	Junior	Spokane, Wash.
Cosentino, Bill	RG	Tr.	6-0	202	21	Junior	Hollywood, Cal.
Dasinger, Mark	WB	Fr.	5-11	173	19	Junior	Wolf Point
Deglow, Burt	RG	Fr.	5-8	165	18	Soph.	Kalispell
Dixon, John	LE	1V	6-3	202	19	Junior	Spokane, Wash.
Edinger, Bill	RE	Fr.	5-11	180	19	Soph.	Missoula
Everson, Bob	WB	1V	5-11	185	19	Junior	Spokane, Wash.
Gorsich, Matt	FB	1V	5-11	185	20	Junior	Highland, Ind.
Grant, Russ	WB	Fr.	5-10	180	18	Soph.	Spokane, Wash.
Gratton, Tim	QB	Fr.	6-1	175	19	Soph.	Missoula
Griffin, Phil	QB	Fr.	6-1	195	20	Soph.	Chicago, Ill.
Gyles, Paul	C	Fr.	5-11	185	18	Soph.	Missoula
Hand, Bill	LG	1V	6-0	220	24	Senior	Selah, Wash.
Harden, Bill	C	Tr.	6-0	210	25	Junior	Los Angeles, Cal.
Henry, Loren	QB	Fr.	5-10	175	20	Junior	Lewistown
Hippolyte, Charles	RT	Tr.	6-2	225	24	Junior	Oakland, Cal.
Hurley, Terry	RE	2V	6-4	200	22	Senior	Chicago, Ill.
Jankovich, Sam	RG	Fr.	5-11	205	23	Junior	Butte
Johnson, Howard	RHB	Fr.	5-11	165	21	Senior	Missoula
Keeley, Earl	QB	Tr.	6-0	175	21	Junior	Vancouver, B.C.
Kennedy, Gary	RT	1V	6-3	240	20	Junior	Hamilton
Leenhouts, Dick	RT	Tr.	5-11	235	20	Junior	Yakima, Wash.
Love, John	RT	Tr.	6-1	210	20	Junior	Burbank, Calif.
McArthur, Jon	RT	Tr.	6-4	250	20	Junior	Vancouver, Wash.
McKelvie, Chuck	QB	1V	6-0	175	22	Senior	Los Angeles, Cal.
Moore, Chuck	C	1V	6-2	203	22	Junior	Deer Lodge
Myers, Larry	RE	Tr.	6-0	170	20	Junior	San Fernando, Cal.
O'Brien, Mick	C	1V	5-9	190	21	Junior	Spokane, Wash.
Olson, Bruce	QB	Fr.	6-2	194	19	Soph.	Missoula
Paige, Ron	LHB	Fr.	6-0	170	21	Senior	Philipsburg
Pangle, Lou	LE	2V	6-2	192	26	Senior	Denver, Colo.
Pepe, Joe	RHB	Fr.	5-7	180	19	Soph.	Missoula
Remington, Harley	RHB	Fr.	5-10	186	24	Soph.	Kalispell
Renning, Stan	RG	1V	6-1	200	19	Junior	Great Falls
Rhinehart, Pete	LE	2V	6-2	190	20	Senior	Missoula
Rosera, Ervin	FB	2V	5-10	190	21	Senior	Lena, Wisc.
Sparber, Dale	LT	Tr.	6-2	240	19	Junior	Cashmere, Wash.
Vucurovich, George	WB	2V	5-11	215	28	Senior	Butte
Wersland, Ken	LT	Fr.	6-3	235	18	Soph.	Missoula
Williamson, Don	FB	2V	5-11	189	21	Senior	Butte
Young, Jerry	FB	Tr.	5-10	190	21	Junior	Sandy, Ore.

-- 1957 FOOTBALL PROSPECTUS --

A better football season appears in the crystal ball for the Montana Grizzlies but an accurate appraisal of the situation shows Montana to be quite a distance back of the championship contending clubs in the Skyline Conference.

As head coach Jerry Williams states it, "We will be somewhat stronger than last season but the degree of our strength will depend on the improvement of the rest of the teams in the league." Last year the Grizzlies had 1-9 record for the season and a 1-6 mark for conference play.

Personnel wise Montana will have more depth than in the past few years and with eighteen returning lettermen the Grizzlies will have some experienced hands among the lot. Twelve award winners will not return from the 1956 squad.

The annual spring game at the completion of spring practice was the best in the past two years with both squads showing plenty of football savvy. A highlight of the game was the definite improvement of the Grizzlies passing attack and the fine defensive line play by both clubs.

Four regulars from the 1956 team do not return so Williams and staff face a job of finding replacements. Severn Hayes, fullback, Pat Monno, halfback, Bob McGihon, tackle, and Bob Small, guard, are the four regulars who will be missing from the starting lineup this fall.

Montana faces three tough conference foes in their first three weeks of play next season. The Grizzlies open with the Utah Redskins at Salt Lake City and the Utes are heavy favorites to win the Skyline championship. Next game the Grizzlies meet the defending champion Wyoming Cowboys at Billings, Montana and the following week end they tangle with the much improved Brigham Young Cougars at Provo.

Montana will be strong at ends this season with three returning veterans and one transfer. Terry Hurley and Pete Rhinehart, regulars, return for their third season and alternate Lou Pangle and transfer Larry Myers will give the flanks plenty of depth.

Prospectus cont.

Letterman Karl Benjamin and transfer Dick Leenhouts were the first team tackles during spring drill and will get plenty of help from letterman Gary Kennedy, transfers Jon McArthur, John Love, and Dale Sparber, and sophomore Ken Wersland, who was a member of the Grizzly track team this spring.

All-Conference and All-American candidate Stan Renning is a fixture in his guard slot and his running mate will be letterman Bill Hand, who was switched from tackle this spring. Montana has plenty of depth at this position and will get help from letterman Montana Bockman, sophomores Tony Buzzetti and Ed Bilan, transfers Ron Brown and Bill Cosentino, and 1956 squad member Sam Jankovich, who was injured most of the season.

The center slot is well fixed with returning lettermen Mick O'Brien and Charley Moore and the addition of transfer Bill Harden, who will give the veterans a real battle for the starting job.

The quarterback situation is the brightest in the backfield after a drought of two years. Four capable qb's are on hand to give Montana the needed depth in the key position. Earl Keeley, a transfer, Phil Griffin and Bruce Olson, sophomores, and letterman Roy Bray will make the Grizzlies strong at the T-general position.

At halfbacks the Grizzlies will have lettermen Matt Gorsich, Jerry Connors, George Vucurovich, who lettered in 1950 and 1951, and Don Williamson, with the addition of soph speedster Joe Pepe. Montana will be deeper at the two halfback slots next season.

Ervin (Tank) Rosera, veteran fullback, leads the candidates at this position and will get plenty of assistance from transfer Jerry Young.

1956 FINAL STATISTICS

	Montana	Opponents
FIRST DOWNS	127	147
Rushing	86	100
Passing	28	36
Penalty	13	11
RUSHING (number of rushes)	463	467
Yards gained	1852	2327
Yards lost	393	212
Net yards gained	1459	2115
FORWARD PASSING		
Number attempted	148	145
Number completed	62	65
Number had intercepted	12	13
Net yards gained	688	1031
Touchdowns	5	7
TOTAL PLAYS (Rushes and passes)	611	612
TOTAL NET YARDS GAINED	2147	3146
PUNTS (Number)	66	37
Total yards	2070	1397
Average yard per punt	31.3	37.7
Had blocked	2	0
PENALTIES (Number)	70	66
Yards lost	625	661
FUMBLES (Number)	23	38
Ball lost	13	23
KICK RETURNS		
Punt returns (Number)	24	17
Yards	342	296
Kickoff returns (Number)	43	21
Yards	774	411
INTERCEPTION RETURNS (Number)	15	12
Yards	154	151
TOTAL POINTS SCORED		
Touchdowns	19	36
Conversions	11	24
Field goals	0	1
Safeties	0	1

	<u>RUSHING RECORD</u>					<u>Points</u> <u>(Rushing)</u>
	<u>TCB</u>	<u>YG</u>	<u>YL</u>	<u>TOTAL YDS.</u>	<u>AVE.</u>	
Hayes	77	434	19	415	5.4	18
Rosera	84	363	7	356	4.2	30
Gorsich	59	285	18	267	4.5	6
Monno	56	255	21	234	4.2	18
Williamson	43	147	23	124	2.9	0
Everson	29	90	4	86	2.9	0
Connors	31	117	40	77	2.5	0
McKelvie	11	25	21	4	---	0
Dasinger	1	2	0	2	2.0	0
Kaiserman	13	29	40	-11	---	0
Bray	36	73	114	-41	---	0
Enochson	23	32	86	-54	---	0
	<u>463</u>	<u>1852</u>	<u>393</u>	<u>1459</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>72</u>

PASSING RECORD						
	<u>ATT</u>	<u>COM</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>
Bray	83	38	7	45.6%	439	2
Enochson	38	15	2	39.5%	125	1
McKelvie	22	7	3	31.8%	101	0
Williamson	1	1	3	100.0%	13	1
Connors	2	1	0	50.0%	10	1
Gorsich	2	0	0	-----	0	0
	<u>148</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>41.8%</u>	<u>688</u>	<u>5</u>

RECEIVING RECORD			
NO.	YARDS	TD	
Hurley	20	204	1
Rhinehart	9	174	2
Mading	4	54	0
Hart	3	50	0
Monno	4	39	2
Gorsich	5	38	0
Rosera	3	26	0
Pangle	2	23	0
Williamson	4	21	0
Hayes	3	18	0
Kaiserman	2	18	0
Dasinger	1	14	0
Connors	2	9	0

PUNT RETURNS		
No.	Yards	
Monno	6	125
Williamson	7	115
Gorsich	4	58
Connors	2	15
Kaiserman	1	15
Wright	1	10
Rosera	2	4
Everson	1	0
	24	342

PUNTING			
	Kicks	Yards	Avg.
Williamson	36	1050	---
Enochson	16	586	---
Bray	7	214	---
Kaiserman	6	204	34.0
Gorsich	1	16	16.0
	66	2070	31.3

KICKOFF RETURNS		
	No.	Yards
Connors	14	249
Gorsich	10	199
Monno	5	116
Williamson	6	95
Hayes	1	70
Kaiserman	1	20
Jones	1	18
Enochson	1	3
Dasinger	2	1
Rosera	1	2
McGihon	1	1
	43	774

Statistics (cont.)

<u>INTERCEPTION RETURNS</u>		
<u>No.</u>	<u>Yards</u>	
Gorsich	4	30
Bray	4	13
Williamson	3	24
Renning	1	40
Carver	1	8
Monno	1	5
Enochson	1	0
Connors	0	22
Kaiserman	0	12
	<u>15</u>	<u>154</u>

<u>SCORING RECORD</u>						
	<u>TD RUSH</u>	<u>TD Pass</u>	<u>Pat Att</u>	<u>Pat M</u>	<u>Points</u>	
Rosera	5	0	0	0	30	
Monno	3	2 (rec)	0	0	30	
Hayes	3	0	0	0	18	
Rhinehart	0	2 (rec)	0	0	12	
Bray	0	2 (pass)	11	7	7	
Hurley	0	1 (rec)	0	0	6	
Renning	0	1 (inter)	0	0	6	
Gorsich	1	0	0	0	6	
Tennant	0	0	5	3	3	
Williamson	0	1 (pass)	2	1	1	
Butorovich	0	0	1	0	0	
Connors	0	1 (pass)	0	0	0	
Enochson	0	1 (pass)	0	0	0	
	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>125</u>	